



State of New Hampshire
WATER WELL BOARD



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David R. Hunt, *Water Well Contractor*
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Richard P. Schofield, P.G., *Staff*

Steven Garside, *Technical Driller*
Rene Pelletier, P.G., *Dept. of Environmental Services*
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Steve Guercia, Certified Operator, *Public Member*

NH WATER WELL BOARD MINUTES

April 17, 2013

A meeting of the New Hampshire Water Well Board (“Board”) was held on April 17, 2013, in the Department of Environmental Services Building in rooms 112 and 113, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301.

Present were: Roger Skillings, Chairman
Brandon Kernen (for Mr. Rene Pelletier, Secretary) – Joined the meeting at 11:45am
Board Members: Stephen Smith, Steve Guercia, David Hunt, Frederick Chormann and Steven Garside
NH DES Staff: Richard Schofield and Michelle Robbins

Chairman Skillings brought the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Skillings requested wording changes to the February 14, 2013 Minutes. Mr. Schofield will make the corrections for approval during the next meeting.

Request for Exemption

Michael Metcalf (Senior Project Manager for Underwood Engineers) appeared before the Board to discuss a request for exemption of administrative rules We 604.04 and We 604.05(b) on behalf of the Town of Hinsdale. The Town requested an exemption for We 604.04 to allow the column pipe and pump bowls to remain in Well #1 during decommissioning because the well is located inside a pump house and the roof opening had been previously sealed. The exemption would allow the Town to avoid incurring the additional costs of opening the roof in order to remove the pumping equipment from the well. Upon motion by Mr. Guercia and seconded by Mr. Smith motioned to deny the Town’s waiver request for We 604.04 and decommission the well in accordance with administrative rules and Mr. Smith seconded. the Board voted to deny the request for exemption of We 604.04. The request for exemption of We 604.05(b) would permit the well to be decommissioned by filling Well #1, MW2, MW4, and MW6 with No. 2 sand to within 10 feet of the top of casing and to grout the remainder of the wells. Mr. Smith motioned to grant the Town’s exemption request for We 604.05(b), and Mr. Chormann seconded. The motion carried.

License Applicants

John Cilley

The Board considered an application from John Cilley for a pump installer license. Mr. Smith motioned to accept Mr. Cilley’s application and Mr. Hunt seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the application.

Robert Cartmell

The Board considered an application from Robert Cartmell for a pump installer license. Mr. Smith motioned to accept Mr. Cartmell's application and Mr. Hunt seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the application.

Owen Murray

The Board considered an application from Owen Murray for domestic and industrial pump installer licenses. Mr. Smith motioned to grant Mr. Murray a conditional approval provided he supplies Mr. Schofield a third complete reference. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chormann. The Board voted unanimously to conditionally approve the application.

Claude D'Anjou II

The Board considered an application from Claude D'Anjou II for a pump installer license. Mr. Smith motioned to grant Mr. D'Anjou a conditional approval provided he supplies Mr. Schofield a third complete reference. The motion was seconded by Mr. Garside. The Board voted unanimously to conditionally approve the application.

Scott Lyon

The Board considered an application from Scott Lyon for a pump installer license. Mr. Garside motioned to accept Mr. Lyon's application and Mr. Guercia seconded the motion. Mr. Smith abstained from voting.

Administrative RulesNSF/ANSI Standard 61 & ANSI/WSC [PST 2000]

The Board agreed that once the new lead free standards in the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act come into effect in January 2014 the NSF/ANSI Standard 61 should be included within We 702.06 Standards Adopted by Reference.

The Board also agreed the ANSI/WSC [PST 2000 – 2009] standard for pressurized storage tanks should be adopted.

Old BusinessElectronic Reporting

Positive feedback was received from the electronic reporting's beta testing. Electronic reporting will go live during the 2013 license renewal. The Board discussed the possibility of making electronic reporting mandatory and ultimately decided to get feedback from the Water Well Association and revisit the question in a year.

New BusinessEmergency Bulk Water Delivery for Public Water Systems

The Board discussed the emergency bulk water delivery rules for public water systems and the importance of education surrounding the emergency bulk water delivery rules. In addition the Board discussed the prohibition of delivering bulk water to a well. Any fluid, including potable water, poured into a well falls under the Env-Wq 404 Underground Injection Control rules, which requires a permit. A review of Federal Regulations, 40 CFR 144 reveals that recharge wells used to replenish the water in an aquifer is a federal class 5 injection well.

Training for Septic System Designers - Update

Mr. Schofield informed the Board he has conducted three training presentations for the Subsurface Systems Bureau licensed septic system designers.

Continuing Education - Update

Mr. Schofield informed the Board that Jim Hartmann will conduct continuing education training at DES on May 16, 2013.

Legislation – SB189 - FN

The Board briefly discussed SB189-FN.

Condominiums

Mr. Schofield brought to the Board's attention how condominium and cluster development design may pose a potential issue for well setback requirements. A review of several plans approved by DES indicate that some well locations would be nonconforming in accordance with the Board rules. Mr. Kernan intended to follow up with DES' subsurface section to see whether the well location approvals were in conflict with the drinking water and groundwater bureau rules.

Upon motion by Mr. Smith, and seconded by Mr. Hunt, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rene Pelletier", written over a horizontal line.

Rene Pelletier
Water Well Board Secretary